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"You Have Promised the Lord"

CHARACTER is expressed by the quality of one's promise-making and promise-keeping. Promise-breaking blemishes reputation.

The highest moment of the Queen's coronation last year was her promise to her people.

The President of the United States, as the supreme act of his inauguration, is required to promise on his solemn oath to uphold the laws and the constitution and to defend them.

When a Latter-day Saint is baptised, ordained, marries, partakes of the sacrament, accepts a responsibility, votes "to sustain" officers in the Church, he makes promises.

Our world is held together by the promises we make to each other individually, and as families, churches, states, and nations. Promise-keeping is the safeguard and insurance of survival. Promisebreaking threatens our way of life with collapse.

Defaulters are held in dishonour by all people, because defaulters assault the citadel of integrity. Integrity is our stronghold against disintegration and decay. It protects us as individuals and as a society.

Promises are both formal and informal. They are express and implied.

Everyone of us must be careful in our promise making: to be sure we know clearly the extent of the obligations we assume. Having once made a promise, formally or informally, in expressed words, or by acts and implication, honesty demands that we honour that promise fully and faithfully.

Every Latter-day Saint has promised the Lord to do his utmost to keep His commandments—all of them. Latter-day Saints manifest their integrity and honesty to the Lord by the way they keep the Word of Wisdom; by the faithfulness with which they observe the law of tithing, and fast offerings; by their observance of the Sabbath Day; and by their practice of chastity, charity, love, obedience and devotion to the will of the Lord.

By the manner of our promise-keeping of these commandments we show our worthiness to receive His blessings. "For thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness."

A.H.R.

"A life that only marks time, that does not move forward, cannot be a victorious life. The more battles won, the more victorious the forward movement. If a man gains but one inch a day against temptation and privation he is a growing, conquering disciple. The man who stands still is a useless, half-defeated one.

"For it has wisely been written: 'If we resolve that tomorrow we shall live better, the resolution is in vain, for if we are too weak to begin now, our weakness tomorrow will have so increased that a chain is made into a cable.'"

Millennial Star 72: 796, 785

New Apostle

Elder Morris Grateful for Heritage

Full text of an address delivered by Elder George Q. Morris at the sixth session of the 124th Annual Conference of the Church held in the Tabernacle, April 6th, 1954, shortly after he was sustained by the vote of the conference as the twelfth member of the Council of the Twelve.

MY dear brethren and sisters: I am sure you know how one feels in this place and under these conditions. I have gained a more thorough understanding of one passage of scripture in the last few moments than I ever had before, which says that the Lord shall select the weak things of the earth to do His work. But I also must have faith, as he also says that those who are weak He will strengthen, and that the weak things of the earth shall rise and go forth and break down the mighty and the strong. which means that we trust in God. We are engaged in His work.

And I recall the passage in the Doctrine and Covenants where the Lords says through the prophet Joseph Smith to Orson Hyde and to all the faithful elders of the Church: "Wherefore, be of good cheer, and do not fear, for I the Lord am with you, and will stand by you, and ye shall bear record of me, even Jesus Christ, that I am the Son of the Living God, that I was, that I am, and that I am to be." (D. & C. 68:6.)

I bear that humble witness with all my heart. I am glad to place on the altar whatever I am and whatever I possess.

I know that this is the work of God, that He lives, that Jesus Christ is the Son of the Living God, and that He lives, that He is very close to us, and that He directs our beloved President and Prophet, David O. McKay, and his associates, that these are men of God. And I am very grateful to them for the kindness and consideration and patience they have showed toward me. I love them and I try to emulate their example. I am privileged beyond my power to express my gratitude for the opportunity of continuing my labours with them.

Tribute to Mother

My mind naturally goes to my dear mother, to whom I pay tribute, than whom I can imagine no man or woman ever being more valiant in service to her God than was she. She came as a girl fifteen years of age, a true believer in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to St. Louis, where her mother died, and she came on to Zion. At nineteen she had lost her husband and her first child, thousands of miles away from her home in England, in a wild unbroken country. She entered into conditions that tested her soul, and would test the soul of any man or any woman, but she was valiant, uncomplaining, cheerful and true under all conditions, and I thank God for her and I know she is happy today.

I pay tribute to my dear wife, who through years of sickness and forced absence from me under a doctor's care has always stood by me through all these years when I put my Church work first, before my business and before my home. She has sustained me in it. And as I left her 10 days ago in New York, sick in bed, she would not have it any other way, and she stands by this principle.

My mother taught me to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. I want to bear witness to you, my dear brethren and sisters, that that principle is true, that in this Church of Jesus more. My duty now is one of performance, but I do bear witness that this Church is the Church of Jesus Christ, set up by Him, directed by Him, a power for the salvation of the human family. And that this Church is equal to every situation that arises in the world, and if the world would accept it. it would situation. meet everv This Church is an organised movement for world peace, if the world only knew it. This is the world peace movement, both for

LINE OF AUTHORITY

GEORGE Q. MORRIS was ordained an Apostle, April 8th, 1954, by President David O. McKay.

DAVID O. McKAY was ordained an Apostle April 9th, 1906, by Joseph F. Smith. JOSEPH F. SMITH was ordained an Apostle July 1st, 1866, by Brigham Young. BRIGHAM YOUNG was ordained an Apostle February 14th, 1835, under the hands of the three witnesses. Oliver Cowdery, David Whitmer and Martin Harris who

- were blessed by the laying on of hands of the Presidency (Joseph Smith, Sidney Rigdon and Frederick G. Williams) to choose and ordain the Twelve Apostles (D. & C. 18:37; History of the Church, Vol. 2, pp. 187-188) after which the Presidency laid their hands upon them and confirmed their blessings and ordinations (Times and Seasons, Vol. 6, p. 868).
- JOSEPH SMITH and OLIVER COWDERY received the Melchizedek Priesthood in 1829 from Peter, James and John.
- PETER, JAMES and JOHN were Apostles and angelic ministers of the Lord Jesus Christ, chosen and ordained by Him (John 15:16).

Christ, the Church of the Living God, there is no other principle that we should follow, no other principle, except to seek first the Kingdom of God and keep His commandments, and all else will be added. And I thank the Lord for the abundant and unexpected and continuing and unfailing blessings, temporal and spiritual, that He has given to me, beyond all my hopes and all my deserts, and I acknowledge His hand in these things. And I am glad to lay them on the altar for His service and this work

Duty is **Performance**

I do not feel that I should say

individuals and for nations, and there can be no substitute.

I thank the Lord for the love and confidence of my brethren with whom I am to labour. Ι love them and sustain them with all my heart; and I thank the people of this Church who have received me so kindly for their their kindness and their consideration. I want to pay a tribute to the men and the women throughout the Church who carry forward so faithfully and so well, to the humble and obscure, duty-bearing and dutyloving men and women, who -Continued on page 156

Chronology of a New Apostle

ELDER George Q. Morris, Assistant to the Council of Twelve since October, 1951, was sustained as a member of the Twelve at the 124th Annual Conference, Tuesday morning, April 6th.

The following brief chronology of events in his life will give Millennial Star readers a sumof his activities and marv achievements:

20th, George Q. 1874—Feb Morris was born in Salt Lake City, a son of Elias and Mary Lois Walker Morris.

1899 to 1902-Missionary to England.

1904 1908 — Salt Lake to Y.M.M.I.A. superintendent.

1905-Married to Emma Ramsey. They are parents of three daughters. Mrs. Helen Stewart, Northbridge, Cal.; Miss Marion Morris and Mrs. Margery Woods, both of New York City.

1908 to 1913-Counsellor in bishopric of Fourteenth Ward, Salt Lake Stake.

1914 to 1924—Bishop of Fourteenth Ward.

1924 to 1935-Member of the Y.M.M.I.A. General Board.

1928 to 1935—Counsellor in the presidency of the Ensign Stake.

1937—Counsellor in 1935 to Y.M.M.I.A. general superintendency.

1937 to 1948-General Super-

-Continued from page 155 forget themselves and lose themselves in their families, in their children and in the Church. God will bless them, and they will enter into their celestial joy.

intendent of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement Association.

1947—Served as executive chairman of the "This is the Place" Monument Commission. The monument was unveiled July 24th, 1947, on the centennial of the arrivel of the Mormon Pioneers in the Salt Lake Valley, under the leadership of Brigham Young.

1948 to 1952-President of the Eastern States Mission.

October.—Named 1951. an Assistant to the Council of the Twelve

1954, April 6th.—Sustained as a member of the Council of the Twelve. (Ordained an Apostle, April 8th, in the Salt Lake Temple by President David O. McKav.)

Business activities.—President and general manager of Elias Morris and Sons, Salt Lake City, a monument and tile firm established by his father, and with which he has been identified since he returned from his mission

Civic activities. - Community Travellers' Chest and Aid Society; member of Sons of Utah Pioneers; Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce, executive vice-president of the Utah Pioneer Trails Association, affiliated with the American Pioneer Trails Association.

May God help us all to be true and give ourselves with all our hearts to His service, I humbly pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Full text of the opening address of the 124th Annual General Conference, by President David O. McKay, Sunday morning, April 4th, 1954.

PRESENT RESPONSIBILITY OF CHURCH IN MISSIONARY WORK



President David O. McKay

THE following I take from Section 4 of the Doctrine and Covenants. It was recorded in 1829.

"Now behold, a marvellous work is about to come forth among the children of men.

"Therefore, O ye that embark in the service of God, see that ye serve him with all your heart, might, mind and strength, that ye may stand blameless before God at the last day.

"Therefore, if ye have desires to serve God ye are called to the work; ...

"And faith, hope, charity and love, with an eye single to the glory of God, qualify him for the work."

When revelation was given to the Prophet Joseph Smith, he was only 23 years of age. The Book of Mormon was not yet published, no man had been ordained to the Priesthood. The Church was not organised; yet the statement was made and written without qualification that "a marvellous work was about to come forth among the children of men."

Another significant feature of this revelation, and others given about the same period, is the naming of essential qualifications of those who were to participate in the bringing about of this marvellous work. These qualifications were not the possession of wealth, not social distinction, not political preferment, not military achievement, not nobility of birth; but a desire to serve God with all your "heart, mind, and strength,"-spiritual qualities that contribute to nobility of soul. I repeat; no popularity, no wealth, no theological training in Church government-vet a "marvellous work was about to come forth among the children of men."

Manifestly, some higher power was operating to bring about this marvellous work other than mere human and material means.

In passing, it is interesting to note that about that same period Robert Owen of England, a man of exceptional ability, a religious person decried the departure of the churches from the simple teachings of Jesus. He was dissatisfied also with economic conditions of that time, for he saw little children, indeed he had some working in his own factories who were only eight and ten years of age. He introduced the law which required the prohibition of little children from working at night, and limited others to ten hours a day. He was desirous of establishing conditions which would at least ameliorate some of these conditions which were almost unbearable in society at that time.

He won the confidence of leaders, and the Duke of Kent (Queen Victoria's father) became his patron. With a fortune in his hand, he came to the new world about 1823. He established what he hoped would be an ideal society. Within three years he had lost two hundred thousand dollars, and his experiment failed.

Joseph Smith had no such royal patron, no potentially influential friends. Over one hundred years have passed, and the work of the Church today is stronger and more flourishing than ever before.

Missionary Phase

This morning I feel impressed to refer briefly to the missionary phase of this "marvellous work."

Recent visits to the various missions of the world have impressed me more deeply than ever with the importance and magnitude of the Church, and with its responsibility to make more potent the proclaiming of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

"Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world." (Matthew 28:19-20.)

Such was the charge given by the Risen Lord to His authorised disciples over nineteen hundred years ago! Such is the charge given by the Risen Lord to His authorised servants today. In the corresponding account given by Mark, the passage reads: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

"He that believeth and is baptised shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be dammed," or condemned. (Mark 16:15-16.)

In both these records you will note two fundamental messages are clearly stated:

First: The responsibility to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all the world is explicity given to those who were called and ordained Apostles of the Lord.

Second: The message implied by Matthew and stated definitely by Mark that, to use Peter's words, "there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." (Acts 4:12.)

In these passages are also intimated, if not clearly stated, that there are two great divisions in the Church of Chist. First is the missionary, and the second, organisation for instruction, mutual edification, and service.

Four conditions contribute to the intensifying of the thought or sense of responsibility of the Church.

First of these are modern means of transportation. These have made practically all nations neighbours. When the Twelve Apostles of old received the admonition from the Lord to go into all the world to preach the Gospel, they had, to quote Beverly Nichols, "only the wind to bear them over the seas, only a few pence in their pockets, but a shining faith in their hearts. They fell far short of their ideal, their words were twisted and mocked, and false temples were built over their bones in praise of a Christ they would have rejected. And yet, by the light of their inspiration, many of the world's loveliest things were created, and many of the world's finest minds inspired."

Modern Miracles

Today "God has given us the power of whispering across space, of transmitting our thoughts from one end of the earth to another." Geographical conditions or distances are just the same, but in point of time New York is as near to the Church headquarters as Provo was when President Brigham Young travelled by horses and whitetop wagon. London is nearer than Fillmore; South Africa, closer than St. George! What a marvellous age we are living in!

Another condition that intensifies the importance and magnitude of the Church in its responsibility to the peoples of the world is the willingness of men and women to consecrate their time, their means, and their ability to the advancement of the Kingdom of God. No one can associate intimately with mission presidents and with missionaries without being filled with commendation and praise for their sincerity, their untiring energy, their concern for their associates, and for their unselfish devotion to the proclamation of peace and goodwill. And the same is true of other men in various occupations and callings throughout the Church.

Even more worthy of admiration. meriting more highly the gratitude of the many blessed by their intelligent, loving service, and entire forgetfulness of themselves are our wives and mothers. The inestimable work they do in the missionary field, as in the home, too seldom receives due recognition and praise. I have profound respect, for example, for the mission president's wife who, while showing her deepest tenderness in helping her husband to do his duty, yet in her own sphere, by intelligent, superb planning and unselfish service, gives to any habitation the true spirit of home; and by tender admonition and encouragement, lightens the heart of homesick Elders with the assurance that they can and will succeed.

Third, the fulfillment of prophecies made over a hundred years ago regarding the growth of the Church brings forcibly to our minds the responsibility of proclaiming the truth.

Let us take a glimpse at what the Church has accomplished since its humble beginning in 1830. There have been since that time 67,615 missionaries set apart, at an approximate cost from them and their families of £19,464,285.

In Last 50 Years

Within the last 50 years the number of missions in the Church has doubled from 21 to 42 today, with 1,754 branches.

In addition to what the individuals have spent in missionary work, the Church between 1910 and 1937, inclusive, expended $\pounds 6,650,010$. From 1938 to 1953, inclusive, $\pounds 12,152,371$, making a total from Church funds of $\pounds 18,802,381$. This does not include what the Church spent between the years 1830 and 1910. I could not get those figures. So that is a total amount in pounds expended for missionary service of £38,266,667. Just let your mind go back now to the beginning before there was a Church organised, before the Book of Mormon was published, and think how truly was the word spoken that a "marvellous work and a wonder was about to come forth."

A half century ago there were comparatively few chapels in the missions owned by the Church. Today there are 410 completed in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Hawaii, at a cost of £3,031,582. There are 206 completed in foreign lands at a cost of £1,616,191.

There are 142 buildings now under construction in the missions at a cost of £216,373. Besides these mission chapels there are 33 mission homes purchased at a cost of over £357,142.

At the turn of the century there were 45 stakes, with approximately 550 wards. Today there are 212 stakes 1,683 wards and 232 independent branches.

In addition to this, there are 112 seminary buildings completed at a cost of $\pounds 995,999$; Brigham Young University buildings, $\pounds 3,382,142$, or a total cost of $\pounds 11,594,442$.

Now note in the wards and stakes, although this is not directly on my theme, we have nearly 1,300 chapels, completed at an original cost of $\pounds 27,213,037$; 351 others under construction at a cost of $\pounds 12,470,252$; so that makes a total cost for ward and stake buildings of $\pounds 39,683,287$; or a grand total for Church buildings of $\pounds 51,277,729$.

Another Phase

Here is another phase of Church work—baptisms for those who did not have a chance to hear the Gospel before they died. As of December 31st, 1953, there had been performed a total of 17,357,931 baptisms, and a total number of endowments of 15,035,700.

A marvellous work and a wonder!

Creditable chapels are now found in Finland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, France, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Switzerland and throughout the British Commonwealth. Members in Johannesburg are waiting for plans to build a modern chapel on a very suitable lot already secured for that purpose.

On our recent tour to South America we had the pleasure of laying the cornerstone of a chapel in Montevideo, which would be a credit to any ward in the Church, with its chapel, recreation hall and classrooms. Other sites are already chosen throughout the mission. At Durban there will be a chapel, recreation hall and classrooms ready for dedication some time next month.

In the fastest growing city in the world, so they told us—Sao Paulo where the price of a lot for a chapel is almost prohibitive, the president of the mission is authorised to see what he can do to find a suitable building lot and make his recommendation for a flourishing branch in that great city of over three million.

Other branches in Brazil are calling for suitable accommodations. In the Argentine Mission we visited six chapels near Buenos Aires, in fact, in that city. Though it was merely an investigating tour, we found at each place from 50 to 150 members waiting to greet us.

since its organisation Ever the Panama Branch in the Central American Mission has been the recipient of hospitality of Rabbi Nathan the Witkins and the members of the Jewish Church who shared their meeting accommodations with our Church members. Here an active, energetic group merit a meeting place of their own. We express appreciation of the co-operation of this Jewish group who entertained us while we were there visiting officially.

In Guatemala there is already being completed a chapel with its tile flooring and oak finish at such a reasonable cost as would make any ward in the Church envious.

Commendable Progress

Commendable progress is being made throughout Mexico in regards to furnishing suitable houses of worship.

Brethren and sisters, I cite these few conditions and references not only by way of commendation to the officers and members of these various missions, but for the purpose of calling your attention to this important question:

If within a little more than a century this Church could achieve such success in numbers, wealth, and inflence, how much more, comparatively speaking, might we accomplish within the next half century with a million and a half loyal members, with comparative prosperity attending our efforts, and with a better understanding in the minds of the intelligent, well-informed people as to the purposes and aims of the Church of Jesus Christ?

Ours is the responsibility, greater than ever before, to proclaim:

1. That the Church is divinely established by the appearance of God the Father and His Son Jesus Christ to the prophet Joseph Smith, and that divine authority through the Priesthood is given to represent Deity in establishing Christ's Church upon the earth.

2. That its assigned responsibility is to fulfill the admonition of Jesus to His Apostles to "go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

3. To proclaim peace and good will unto all mankind.

4. To exert every effort, and all means within our reach to make evilthinking men good, good men better, and all people happier.

5. To proclaim the truth that each individual is a child of God, and important in His sight; that he is entitled to freedom of thought, freedom of speech, freedom of assembly; that he has the right to worship God according to the dictates of his conscience. In this positive declaration we imply that organisations or churches which deprive the individual of these inherent rights are not in harmony with God's will nor with His revealed word.

Finally, ours is the responsibility to make available to the tens of thousands —Continued on page 172

Valiant Members— ENDURING TESTIMONY

QUITE recently some of the brethren in a Priesthood class were discussing the "nearness" of the Restoration of the Gospel. It is but one hundred and twenty-four years since the

who come of families whose grandparents and great-grand-

parents actually witnessed momentous events in Church history. People who have heard testimonies born by participants



Sister Margaret L. Stevens of the Brighton Branch

Church was organised and the Restoration of the true Gospel established on the earth for the last time. Not long in the world's history, but long enough for some to try to cast doubt upon the veracity of early statements and the authenticity of dates. Yet it is a gratifying experience to meet members in inspirational occasions, and some, proud possessors of mementoes and heirlooms that are proof of incidents already chronicled. How thrilling this is to those who hear such testimony!

The few facts of British Mission History published each month in these pages have aroused interest and we were able to present recently an account of a trip to Preston by a descendant of Elder Heber C. Kimball. (See "Link with the Past"—April.) Other stories are in course of preparation and we should be glad to hear from any members who have links with British Mission history.

We are happy to publish the contents of a letter from Sister Margaret L. Stevens of the Brighton Branch, London District. She is a faithful sister in her 88th year and was born into the Church.

She writes:

"I would like to say how very glad I was to read the lovely report in the April Millennial Star about the baptisms in the River Ribble at Preston, Lancashire. I am very proud to say that Charles Miller was my uncle. He was my father's brother (my father's name was Timothy Miller). After my uncle and his family, with other saints, emigrated they went with the Pioneers with handcarts across the plains. He used to write to my father telling how they were getting on and told us about the locusts coming and eating the first crops and the Miracle of the Seagulls coming to destroy the locusts.

"In the year 1886 one of my uncle's sons returned to this land on a mission. Coming to see my father here in Brighton he asked him if he would like to go to Zion. My father said yes, but that he had no means. His nephew replied that his father would pay all expenses and find a home for him. So they left here and sailed from Liverpool August 9th, 1888, and my father had the pleasure of meeting his dear brother again. I did not go with him since I was married and had a three months old child. I thank God that my parents saw the shining light of the Gospel and that I was born in the Church."

Sister Stevens is a cripple and can do little active work for the Church but bears a strong testimony of its truth. The writer remembers visiting her several years ago and how grateful she was to have the Priesthood to administer the Sacrament to her.

She continues:

"I am very glad to say that I have been able to spread this Gospel to a great many and some who received it have gone to Zion too, I still try to do a little. I wrote a letter to the Vicar of this parish when he published a bit in the newspaper telling the people to beware of two new and false religions in their midst—Jehovah's Witnesses and the Latter-day Saints (Mormons) who were going to have a Church built here. I thought I would just write and tell him that I didn't know anything about Jehovah's Witnesses but I could tell him that the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints was not new as I was a member, and 86 years of age, and I had been born in the Church. I said that we were all the Children of God our Heavenly Father and had a right to live the way we wished. I told him the Bible said, 'If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God that giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not and it shall be given him.' I told him that was what Joseph Smith did. I said that as regards building a Church it would be better to have such a building than another public house or a picture palace.

"I thank God that He restored me from sickness and that I was able to go to the opening of that building here in Brighton.

"I wish you and all of our leaders and friends the best of health and may God bless you all."

Sister Stevens also mentions that Elder W. A. Palmer, now serving a Mission here, is her sister's son another nephew of that Charles Miller one of the first members of the British Mission. "For where a testament is, there must also of necessity be the death of the testator.

"For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth."—Hebrews 9:16-17.

The Martyrdom

ELDERS Willard Richards, and John Taylor, were with the Prophet Joseph Smith, and his brother Hyrum at the tragic hour, and Elder Richards has written the most vivid story of the events in Carthage Jail.

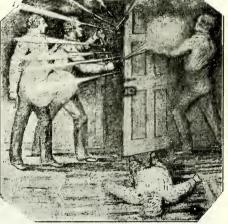
According to Elder Richard's account, the events occupied at most three minutes. An armed mob, numbering nearly two hundred men, with their faces smeared with powder and mud, attacked the small, insecure jail, guarded only by enemies of the Church.

There was a slight rustling at the outer door of the jail. Some one cried, "Surrender!" Soon shots came through the door and through the window. One of these struck Hyrum Smith on the left side of the nose. He fell, exclaiming, "I am a dead man!"

Joseph glanced at his brother saying, "Oh my dear brother, Hyrum!" Then walked toward an open window and looked out. Perhaps he was thinking that by getting himself out of the room he would save his brethren.

Instantly, however, he was shot in the back from the doorway, and a moment later a second ball pierced him from the window. With this he either fell out or jumped out, falling near the well-curb just below. The mobocrats, not satisfied, poured more shots into the still body of the prophet.

"They were innocent of any



Martyrdom Scene, Carthage Jail

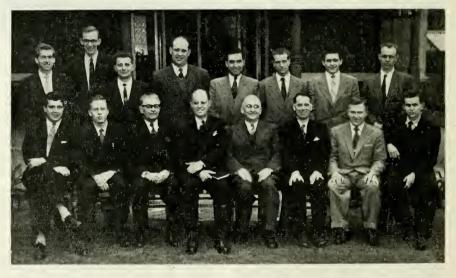
crime, as they had often been proved before, and were only confined in jail by the conspiracy of traitors and wicked men; and their innocent blood on the floor of Carthage jail is a broad seal affixed to 'Mormonism' that cannot be rejected by any court on earth, and their innocent blood on the escutcheon of the State of Illinois, with the broken faith of the State as pledged by the governor, is a witness to the truth of the everlasting gospel that all the world cannot impeach. . . ." (D. & C. 135:7.)

The prophet was thirty-eight years old at the time of his death. During the short space of twenty years he accomplished a wonderful work for the salvation of the world. The bringing forth of the Book of Mormon; the restoration of the Gospel in its purity and power; the establishment of the Church with apostles and prophets; the delegating of the priesthood of God to man; in short, the beginning of the great work which God is performing in the last days for the consummation of His purposes-all these did God accomprophet plish through the Joseph Smith during the few busy years of his life which ended one hundred and ten years ago this month.

With Joseph's death, men said

there would be an end to "Mormonism"; little did they realise that the Church is not of man. The testimonies of the martyrs which were sealed with their own blood have been carried and proclaimed by approximately 70.000 full time missionaries of the Church. Honest souls in all nations have been touched by the prophet's noble life and tragic death; and the message which he gave to the world is being delivered to all men as a witness before the end shall D.L.W. come.

OUR DISTRICT PRESIDENTS



District President pose with Mission President A. Hamer Reiser during the District President's Conference held at Ravenslea, April 28th-29th.

Front Row (Left to Right): Elder J. Preston Creer, Nottingham; Elder Charles H. Barndt, Newcastle; Elder Samuel E. Sessions, Liverpool; Elder Grant W. Lee, Wales; President A. Hamer Reiser; President James R. Cunningham; Elder Charles R. Devy, Birmingham; Elder Ned E. Hoopes, Manchester.

Back Row (Left to Right): Elder Maurice Benson, London; Elder Robert E. Bennett, Scotland; Elder Louis Cook, Hull; Elder Donald Gale, Bristol; Elder Frank E. Young, Norwich; Elder Charles McCulloch, Sheffield; Elder Joe Kent Kerby, Leeds; Elder Stephen R. Covey, Irelaud.

Let Us Give Thanks.

"IF music be the food of love, play on . . ."

In these now well-known words a character from Shakespeare expresses his idea of the relationship between the chords struck on a man-made instrument and the harmonies played on the human heart.

Jesus Christ's Gospel is founded on His profound and abiding love for mankind. His sacrifice was the supreme, unequalled act of love. Love is the greatest principle He taught. Now, as in His era, there is great need for love in the relationships between individuals. races. nations. Anything which induces this sublime emotion merits appreciation and encouragement.

Music has been aptly described as both a universal and a divine language. Its universal nature is demonstrated by its power to overcome the difficulties caused by language, national and political differences. What effects suggest its divine nature?

In music, as in any language, all gradations of understanding and appreciation will always be apparent as between individuals. Those who truly seek to appreciate it, and who listen with their hearts, discover in music the power to transport them to a higher plane, an ethereal, spiritual atmosphere in which loftier emotions predominate. As with true beauty everywhere, such an experience, difficult to describe, is impossible to define.

Sacred music creates for us a world to which we can slip away from this material existence to a less tangible but more tranquil world where all is peace and rest. Its sublime strains have the ability to smooth away our earthly cares and brush away the pettiness from our characters. It has been truly said that music is the only language in which one cannot say a mean or sarcastic thing. Surely the art is divinelyinspired which, beautifully expressed in sacred music, prompts in the human heart an upsurge of love for fellow-men. Is this perhaps a foretaste of heaven? The medium inspiring such reactions is surely one of the languages used in heaven.

Alas! We do not always portray such an idealistic, though attainable, concept in our Sunday Schools. But the reverent atmosphere we seek, the emotional response to the truths we are learning and absorbing, are so greatly assisted and wonderfully directed by the beauty of sacred music well presented that it is continually rewarding to aspire and make efforts towards the goal of this particular ideal. Will all concerned with Sunday School music please make these efforts?

Let us give thanks for this divine gift and for the way in which sacred, reverent music is able to lift up our hearts and spirits nearer to God, helping us to become "partakers of the divine nature."

The following was written by Dr. John Bleakley, of Bangor, N. Ireland, whilst returning by air to Belfast after paying a visit to the Temple site at Newchapel.

DAFFODILS IN THE AIR

DAFFODILS, the most versatile of the narcissus family, gleaming golden in the green grass beneath the winter trees, remain together with the yellow bloom of the massed fuschia, a A single-storied building is rapidly nearing completion of its internal adaptations to house the Archives and Offices of the Genealogical Department of the British Mission.



lasting impression of my first visit to Newchapel this Spring afternoon.

Couple the flowers with the beauty of the Elizabethan type mansion with its quaint tiled roofs and beams, fused on to the structure of a sixteenth century farmhouse. The carved stairways, panelled hall and the minstrel gallery of the chapelto-be delight the eye and heart. Here in Newchapel we see in embryo the developing heart of the British Mission from which we may derive a stream of hope and encouragement and strength, proportionate to the effort and sacrifices we make to use it to sanctify the living and edify the dead.

A Temple cannot grow overnight and its construction must necessarily be delayed but we can receive blessings by our willingness to help develop the mansion at Newchapel in this new phase of its four centuries of history.

The many rooms of our mansion require furnishing and it will be our privilege in the Irish District to seek permission to furnish the first room. Other branches and districts may wish to follow this lead and so feel that very soon Newchapel will be, in a sense, a part of their districts.

The building and its site would lend itself to Mission-wide Auxiliary Conventions where could be renewed the spirit of the conventions once held at Kidderminster, Bradford and Sheffield. Many would need to be provided for in tent or caravan and we should sing our songs by our campfires.

But the evening is drawing to a close, the sun has gone down beneath the clouds and this modern flying carpet, this "Ulster Flyer" is beginning to descend from cruising four miles high above the clouds.

Have I been building castles in the air? Perhaps!

But those daffodils were real so why not have real "castles" that Irish room and those conventions?

TOBACCO IS NOT FOR MAN

"Blessed are they that hear the word of God and keep it." Luke 11:28. "A Word of Wisdom . . .

"To be sent greeting; not by commandment or constraint, but by revelation and the word of wisdom, showing forth the order and will of God in the temporal salvation of all saints in the days—

"Given for a principle and a promise, adapted to the capacity of the weak and the weakest of all saints, who are or can be called saints."

"And again, tobacco is not for the body, neither for the belly, and is not good for man . . " Doc. & Cov., Sec. 89:1-3 and 8.

On the advice given by the Lord in Section 89 of the Doctrine and Covenants we base our abstinence from tea, coffee, tobacco and alcoholic drinks. For those converted to Mormonism after a lifetime of habit forming indulgence in these so-called "pleasures" it is not always easy to forsake their use. Sound practical advice is given here. Read it If you don't need it, pass it on.

How to Cure the Smoking Habit

D. H. Kress, M.D., Washington, D.C.

THE first step in giving up the cigarette is to give it up. Many fail because they never really reach this point.

Keep away from smokers and a tobacco-laden atmosphere as far as possible for about three weeks. After each meal, for one week, rinse out the mouth with three-quarters of one per cent. solution of silver nitrate. This creates a distaste for tobacco smoke, and will relieve throat irritation.

Purchase fivepence worth of gentian root (or Camomile Blossoms) AND CHEW IT DURING THE DAY WHEN THE DESIRE TO SMOKE APPEARS.

To assist in eliminating the poison, take a dose composed of —Continued on page 170 **I**F your parents decided to take you on a trip to America, it would take about a week in a comfortable liner. But when Patience's father took her across



the Atlantic it took nearly three months.

Patience was born in a village in Southern England in 1605 and by the time she was 12 her mother had died

and she was left to look after the cottage in which she and her father lived. Each day she would sweep and clean the rooms and prepare meals for her father when he came in from his work in the fields.

She dressed very differently from the way girls dress nowadays. She wore a long plain dress, at the neck of which there was a stiff square collar and on her head a white bonnet. Her dress was covered by an apron which had a large pocket in it, where she carried her knitting and sewing, for you never saw Patience sitting idle.

In England in those days there was a law that everyone must attend the Church of England those who did not were severely punished. Patience's father did not agree with what was taught there, and was laughed at by the other villagers, and called a "Puritan". Often he would talk of taking his daughter to America where they could worship freely and not be taunted for their beliefs.

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Then one day in the summer of 1620, he came home and told Patience to pack their few belongings in a tin trunk, for in two days they would be starting for Plymouth to join a boat to America. Two mornings later after getting up very early, and locking up their little cottage, Patience and her father, who was carrying the trunk, set off for Plymouth. They had very little money and as this was needed to pay their passages, they had to go on foot, and it was three days later when they arrived in Plymouth footsore and weary.

Patience was fascinated by the little harbour, the boats and the sea, because although she had heard about these and seen pictures of them, she had never been to the coast before. At first the waves frightened her, but after a while she got used to seeing them roll up the beach and break into a seething white foam at her feet.

After enquiring of several people around the harbour, her father was directed to the "Mayflower", the ship that was to take the "Puritans" to America. Father and daughter had to pick their way over ropes and anchors at the quayside, before they could eventully climb the gang plank of the ship that was to be their home for several weeks.

Soon their trunk was carried into the hold of the ship, and Patience was led down into the cabin where already many other women and children had settled themselves. At first she was

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horrified at the thought of having to sleep with so many others around, but before many days were past, she was grateful for the shelter in the little cabin.

It was September 6th, when after several false starts, the "Mayflower" finally set sail across the Atlantic. Before the ship had been at sea many days, she was beset by storms and gales which continued through almost the whole of the voyage. At times they had to weigh anchor because of the thick fog that swirled around and at other times the decks were so thick with snow that Patience could not move out of the cabin for days on end.

One day there was a shout of warning from the Captain who told all the passengers to be readv jump to overboard. Patience rushed on deck, to see a giant iceberg floating towards the ship. The ship altered course and just managed to move out of the way of that mountain of treacherous before ice anv damage was done.

Food and water were very carefully rationed and although at first Patience could not eat the dry biscuits and salted meat that were served to them, she soon became so hungry that she ate without noticing the horrid taste of the food. Sometimes the meal was varied with fish caught by the sailors, but as the time wore on, food became more and more scarce and the passengers more and more hungry.

Some nights as she lay curled up on the cabin floor Patience would wish that she was back in her home village, where there were lovely green fields, fresh fruits to be picked in the orchards and vegetables in the gardens. Then she would pray very earnestly as her mother had taught her, that God would keep them safe until they reached this land of America.

One morning, in November, she awoke to hear seagulls crving over the ship. When she went on deck the sailors were all excitedly looking for the first signs of land, and sure enough by mid-day there was a long shadow on the horizon. As the day dragged on Patience could not move from the side of the boat and as she watched, the land seemed to come nearer and nearer. By the following morning she could see it quite plainly, but what a disappointment, for there were no green fields or trees to be seen as in England, just large rocks and boulders covered here and there by drifts of snow.

By evening time the boat had anchored off the coast and next day Patience's father and the other men went ashore to see what they could find. Soon they were busy putting up huts and shelter to keep off the icy blizzards, and in a few weeks all the women and children were taken ashore.

Patience felt terribly excited when she first set foot on American soil—although it seemed a very bleak and cheerless place. However, soon she and her father settled in their little hut and she tried to make it as comfortable as possible, though it was not at all like the cottage they had left in England.

A few days later the Mayflower set sail to return to England and the Puritans were left to fend for themselves in, what was to them, the unknown land of America.

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE QUIZ

- 1. Who recently broke the record by running one mile in four minutes?
- 2. What was the name of the Yacht in which the Queen returned to England recently?
- 3. Which two colours when mixed in the right proportions, produce orange?
- 4. Which is the largest ocean in the world?
- 5. What was the name of the leader of the recent expedition to climb Mount Everest?

Answers -

5. Sir John Hunt.

- 4. The Pacific Ocean-64 million
 - Id 3. Red and Yellow.
 - 's Britannia.''
 - 1. Roger Bannister.

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a teaspoonsful each of Rochelle salts and cream of tartar each morning before breakfast for one week. If possible take a Turkish bath, or a good sweat bath of some kind, twice during the first two weeks. Drink water, orange juice or grapefruit juice, freely.

Keep out in the open air as much as possible. Keep the mind occupied.

The greatest aid will be found in a change if dietetic habits.

JOURNEY THROUGH BRITAIN

Imagine that you were taking a trip around Britain—here is a list of some of the places you would pass but the names are



jumbled. If you would like to win a prize —

write a list of the real place names on a sheet of paper with your name, address, and age. Put this into an envelope, and send them to:

Children's Editor, Millennial Star, 149 Nightingale Lane, Balham, S.W.12.

Entries must be in by June 20th—and neatness will be taken into consideration when judging the winner.

- 1. HUGRENBID 7. WESANAS
- 2. DELRUNDANS 8. FRATFODS
- 3. ECRILSTEE 9. COWHIRN
- 4. TEEREX 10. SOPTERN
- 5. CATLENSAR 11. WREEC

6. RISBLAUSY 12. TOLYPHUM Watch for an announcement about a summer holidays PHOTOGRAPHY competition in next month's "Children's Section."

Smokers are fond of highly seasoned foods and stimulating drinks.

It is necessary to give up the use of pepper, mustard, the free use of salt and coffee and tea, and also the free use of meats.

The following diet will be found of the greatest aid. If followed carefully, the discovery will be made, by the end of the first week, that the craving has materially lessened and by the end —Continued on page 184

A Sturdy Crop The British Mission in Retrospect

"I had now hundreds of brethren to whom I was united in bonds the most endearing and sacred, and who love me as their own souls and whose prayers would be continually offered up for my welfare and prosperity."

THUS thought Elder Heber C. Kimball as he departed homeward from England after eight months of earnest proselyting in this land. This period of labour had resulted in a membership of nigh on two thousand souls in the British Mission, now organised under the Presiding Authoritv of three stalwart men. namely, Elder Joseph Fielding. Elder Willard Richards and Elder William Clayton.

The first Conference of the British Mission was held on Christmas Day, 1837. at the "Cockpit" in Preston. Three Latter-dav hundred Saints gathered on that most fitting day to hear the missionaries give uplifting sermons and witness many ordinations in the Priest-Among hood these. Joseph Fielding, who was advanced from Priest to Elder, and the blessing of 100 infants

Notable too is the fact that the Word of Wisdom was publicly advocated for the first time here.

Three hundred members from branches in Walkerford, Alston, Bedford, Eccleston, Wrightington, Hexton, Waddington, Downham, Hunters Hill and many other places in N.W. England were present, showing the great extent of the travels and work of the little band of missionaries. Names such as Benson, Matthias Moon (a large family which produced five missionaries), Thomas Smith (a Clithero preacher), and Elizabeth Partington were included on the simple records of early membership, and the stories of their conversion are testimony building.

The severe winter weather following the first Conference caused much hardship among the Lancashire folk and the privations witnessed by Elder Kimball are described by him:

"This was very extraordinary weather for that country, as I was informed that some winters they had scarcely any frost or snow, and the oldest inhabitants told me that they never experienced such weather before. In consequence of the inclemency of the weather, several manufacturing establishments were shut up, and several thousands of men, women and children were thrown out of employment. sufferings during whose that time were severe: and I was credibly informed and verily believe, that many perished from starvation.

"Such sufferings I never witnessed before. The scenes which I daily beheld were enough to chill my blood in my veins . . .

"Great numbers were initiated into the Kingdom of Heaven; those who were sick were healed; those who were diseased flocked to us daily; and truly their faith was great, such as I hardly ever witnessed before; consequently many were healed of their infirmities. We were continually employed day and night, some nights hardly closing our eyelids."

He records occasions when he had to enter the waters of baptism six and seven times a day, and when the sea was the only possible place for baptism since the rivers and pools were frozen solid.

As spring approached the Elders decided they must return to their homes. The news spread and many felt the need of baptism before they should leave these shores. In consequence, as the Elders made a farewell tour of the branches, the calls upon their time were manifold until finally, the second Conference in Great Britain was held on April 8th, 1838, again in the "Cock-pit." Members began to come into Preston in the early hours of the morning and by 9 a.m. nearly 700 souls had gathered.

From then until 5 p.m. in the evening the five remaining mis-

-Continued from page 160 of faithful members throughout the foreign missions the privilege of participating in the eternal nature of covenants and ceremonies.

Not counting Kirtland and Nauvoo, eight temples have been completed and are now in use, with two more under construction at a total cost of $\pounds 4,949,196$.

One of our greatest responsibilities is to make accessible to faithful members of the Church in foreign lands suitable Houses of the Lord. Tens of thousands of them are not able to come where temples are, and where they receive the blessings of the endowment, to have sealed to them their wives and their children for time and all eternity. Ours is the duty to carry the temple to them. It may not be expensive, but it will be complete, and thus will churches be built and sionaries met with the Saints, conferring in the things of the Gospel and during that time the Presidency of the British Mission was sustained. At 7 p.m. another session convened and some 80 brethren, assigned special duties, conferred together until 1 a.m. the next day.

Later that day Elders Kimball, Hyde and Russell took leave of a large number of sorrowful people, Saints who had willingly provided the means for the brethren to return to Zion.

They did not actually leave Liverpool until April 20th—on the same boat that brought them here, and after a rough passage they landed in New York on May 12th, more than ten months after they had left for their Mission.

It had been a successful planting of the Gospel seed in "foreign" soil.

What sturdy crops that seed has grown! J.P.H.

strengthened throughout the world.

On this Sunday morning, may we demonstrate our knowledge of the reality of Christ's existence and our love for the Gospel by renewed service to His Church, by greater kindness and forbearance towards our associates, and by exercising more charity for the honest in heart the world over.

In the words of President John Taylor, and radiating his same spirit, we say to the Priesthood throughout the world:

"Go to every tribe and nation;

Visit every land and clime;

Sound to all the proclamation;

Tell to all the truth sublime;

That the gospel,

Does in ancient glory shine."

God give us this power and the spirit of our callings in rich abundance I pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Relief Society Section SUMMER PROGRAMME

Elizabeth B. Reiser for British Mission Relief Society Presidency

As no Summer Programme is provided in the Relief Society Magazine, we suggest that you carry on with the regular meetings in the interest of the members in some phase of the four meetings of Theology, Testimony, Visiting Teacher Message, Work and Business, Literature or Social Science.

Summer programmes can be made so interesting that anyone would be proud to have a relative, friend or neighbour come to visit. This could be part of your assignment as a member missionary to bring someone to an understanding of the Gospel. Do you remember President David O. McKay's assignment to us? He asked that we try to interest one person, at least, in the teachings of the Gospel.

THEOLOGY: Special reviews of leading Book of Mormon characters studied throughout the year. See "The Children's Friend" series of the new Book of Mormon paintings by Arnold Friberg.

TESTIMONY meeting: Plan at least one testimony meeting each month through the summer. These meetings could add rich and varied experiences. A simple home programme for the enjoyment of the aged or homebound members who are not able to attend regular meetings will be a special delight. Might you visit any friends or members in hospitals?

VISITING TEACHER MESSAGE: A good Gospel theme might be given from any one of our Standard Church Works:

Articles of Faith by James E. Talmage.

Book of Mormon.

Life of Christ.

Gospel Ideals by David O. McKay. (This book is recently published and available at the British Mission Book Store.) A Marvelous Work and a Wonder by Le Grande Richards.

Jesus the Christ by James E. Talmage.

LITERATURE: One of the most interesting literary works or characters which has been studied through the year could be made the subject of a scrapbook project. Gather all interesting or unusual stories, pictures, quotations and statements made by the person.

Reading all or parts from Shake-speare's plays.

Reading all or parts from Dickens' works.

Reading poetry of Robert Browning and Elizabeth B. Browning, and reading works of Tennyson, Wordsworth, or any others you might enjoy. These meetings could be rich in enjoyment.

Have your members read all of the stories, poems, special articles and interesting reports of other Relief Societies throughout the world?

SOCIAL SCIENCE: If you have not studied the **Signs of the Times**, printed in the last issues of the Millennial Star, you could plan to use these in your summer lessons.

Or you may like to choose any other Church Works:

Life of Brigham Young.

Life of Joseph Smith. (From your branch libraries you might obtain other material about the lives of our Church leaders.)

WORK AND BUSINESS meetings could be profitable in making articles for Bazaars and Welfare. Special sewing classes or demonstrations of uses of patterns would be valuable to many members. Some new patterns in knitting or crocheting will be interesting. A quilt block, from each member, made from a uniform pattern, would be an unusual project and a welfare quilt would soon be in your supplies!

Have you exhausted all of the suggestions from our earlier Bulletin on Handy Hints?

An exchange and demonstration of your favourite recipe or menu could make an enjoyable afternoon or evening.

An evening for sharing household hints or demonstrating some useful gadget would be profitable and pleasant.

Summer is a good time to practice and enjoy singing songs from the hymn book, folk songs, or general songs you might like to sing.

Current events and special occasions, world affairs, local happenings will always be worthwhile to discuss.

Summer is a very good opportunity to plan for a special day for honouring the older members in your branch or neighbourhood.

Have you planned a "Hobby Show" or a "Talent Night"?

A demonstration in basketry or weaving, taken from local magazines or handicraft books, would add to the talents of all members.

How about making and demonstrating a study of hair styling and care?

Someone in your group might demonstrate cutting, trimming and finishing a simple apron, pinafore or frock. Or making a cap, child's hat, or a real "chapeau" for yourself or older daughter?

A hobby show or a collection of some rare items would be interesting for the group.

Plan a meeting with the Music Masters, with records or selections by some of the members.

A talent show could be planned.

There is always more to learn of the History, Literature, Government and Religions of your own land.

Shrines, historical monuments, places of interest, would add to a day's enjoyment and entertainment for your Relief Society.

Are there any interesting stories or accomplishments you might discover among your Relief Society members or others in your branch or locality? Issues of the Relief Society Magazine, back through the years, are filled with suggestions and ideas and would be worth bringing out to enjoy again.

LESSON SIX

Paradisiacal Glory to be Restored

Now, how is it going to be renewed if it is not going to be brought back to some condition which one time prevailed? The earth is to be renewed and is to receive its paradisiacal glory. Somebody may be thinking right now that the prophet had reference to the celestialised earth when he wrote that article, for this earth is going to be celestialised, but that is not what the prophet had reference to in the Tenth Article of Faith. The earth, to be renewed, is to be restored to something that was, not to something which is yet to come which never was before. This earth never has been glorified as a celestial body. It is going to be restored to the condition which prevailed in the beginning, and it will not receive its resurrection and celestial body until after the Millennium, but I call your attention to this statement which we have accepted as a revelation. This is in the Doctrine and Covenants.

"What are we to understand by the book which John saw, which was sealed on the back with seven seals?

"We are to understand that it contains the revealed will, mysteries, and works of God; the hidden things of his economy concerning this earth during the seven thousand years of its continuance, or its temporal existence." (D. and C. 77:6.)

What is a temporal existence? And what was the earth before it became temporal?

Words of Isaiah

I find a passage of Scripture in the book of Isaiah, in the 65th chapter, beginning with the 17th verse, I want to read to you.

"For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind." That is, the earth as it is now, this mundane earth covered all over its face with wickedness will not be remembered when this change comes. We will be glad to get rid of this condition, and we will not bring it up to mind. Remember, in speaking of the heavens he is not referring to the sidereal heavens. He is speaking of that which pertains to our own earth, the heavens in which the birds fly.

"But be ye glad and rejoice forever in that which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.

"And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people; and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.

"There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be accursed." (Isaiah 65:17-20.)

You can see that does not have any reference at all to the earth when it is celestialised. The new heaven and earth have nothing to do at all with this earth as it will be after it dies and is raised in the resurrection to be a celestial body because then there will not be any death at all. It is going to be restored as nearly as possible to what was in the beginning. This is coming to pass when Christ comes, and that's part of this restoration. Now, I am very grateful that the Lord made this known. Let me finish this chapter in Isaiah.

"And they shall build houses, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them.

"They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

"They shall not labour in vain, nor bring forth for trouble; for they are the seed of the blessed of the Lord, and their offspring with them.

"And it shall come to pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while they are yet speaking, I will hear.

"The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw like the bullock; and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the Lord." (Isaiah 65:21-25.)

Every Corruptible Thing Consumed

In the 101st Section of the Doctrine and Covenants we get a little further light on this, and I want you to see that this is not the celestialised earth. This is the restored earth. This is a thing we are talking about in that Tenth Article of Faith.

"And prepare for the revelation which is to come, when the veil of the covering of my temple, in my tabernacle, which hideth the earth, shall be taken off, and all flesh shall see me together.

"And every corruptible thing, both of man, or of the beast of the field, or of the fowls of the heavens, or of the fish of the sea, that dwells upon all the face of the earth, shall be consumed;

"And also that of element—" that is, corruptible element—"shall melt with fervent heat; and all things shall become new, that my knowledge and glory may dwell upon all the earth."

This is when Christ comes. This is the beginning of the Millennium when this takes place. This is part of that restoration, and we are getting today some of the signs in fulfillment of this.

"And in that day the enmity of man, and the enmity of beasts, yea, the enmity of all flesh, shall cease from before my face.

"And in that day whatsoever any man shall ask, it shall be given unto him."

What did Isaiah say? Before you get through asking, I will answer. The lion, as well as the lamb, these animals that now are so filled with vicious habits will then be at peace, and so it says here there will be no enmity between man and beast, and we will not delight to go off and kill deer when that time comes.

"And in that day whatsoever any man shall seek, it shall be given unto him.

Children Shall Not Die

"And in that day Satan shall not have power to tempt any man.

"And there shall be no sorrow because

there is no death."

Oh, no this is not the resurrection. This does not mean we will pass from mortality to immortality. You will see that now in the verse I am going to read.

"In that day an infant shall not die until he is old. And his life shall be as the age of a tree;

"And when he dies he shall not sleep, that is to say in the earth, but shall be changed in the twinkling of an eye, and shall be caught up and his rest shall be glorious." (Doc. & Cov. 101:23-31.)

So during the Millennium there will be no death. Children will not die. Disease will be banished. This is part of the restoration. But that child, when it has reached a certain age, the age of a tree, a hundred years we read in Isaiah, will be changed like that. It will die when it is old. It will pass from the mortal to the immortal state. suddenly and so they will not need to make graves, and that is bringing us back again to that original condition just as near as we can. Of course, the Lord could not at that time do away with mortality. We have to have mortals upon the earth. All during the Millennium we have to have mortals here to do the work for those who have passed on because they cannot do the work for themselves in the Temple. All these ordinances pertain to the mortal life.

Telestial Conditions Until Christ Comes Now, I want to make an explanation. When Adam was in the Garden of Eden he lived in the presence of God. I told you that last week. He was taught His language. It was not a bow-wow language, as some will tell you. It was the Lord's language, but Adam transgressed the law. He was driven out of the presence of the Father and became mortal. The seeds of death were planted in his soul. Before that he was not subject to death at all.

Well, from the time of Adam's fall until now, and so it will continue until Christ comes, this earth has been subject to telestial conditions, and the telestial dominates the earth. The inhabitants of the telestial world, have most of all the good things today. And so I say, when I have to sit in the bus or in a car going to a conference and some dirty, filthy man or woman sits right near and begins to puff smoke in my face, I say to myself, "Oh, well, it's your world. This is the telestial world. I am in it. I am not of it, but I am in it, and you are having your day."

And so it will continue until Christ comes.

LESSON SEVEN A New Heaven and Earth

Now, when Christ comes, we will get a new heaven and a new earth and all of these corruptible things will be removed. They will be consumed by fire; and somebody said, "Brother Smith, do you mean to say that it is going to be literal fire?" I said, "Oh, no, it will not be literal fire any more than it was literal water that covered the earth in the flood."*

* To my great astonishment this has been misunderstood by some, who failed to recognise the irony of this remark. For the benefit of such I will say I do not know of any other kind of water except literal water— H_2O , the kind we drink, bathe in, and which makes floods and drowns people. I think fire which consumes will also be literal when it comes.—J.F.S.

Now, when Christ comes, we will get a new heaven and a new earth and every corruptible thing will be destroyed. Everything that pertains to the telestial kingdom, every person that has lived a telestial law will be swept off. You read the first verses of the last chapter of Malachi. He tells you that the inhabitants of the earth will be burned when Christ comes and all the wicked who are not destroyed before he comes shall be as stubble and they will be consumed. They can't stay here. Why? Because this earth is going to pass from the telestial to a terrestrial order. That is why. It will be a terrestrial world for a thousand years, and that's why death is suspended.

We learn now from the revelations that John the Disciple is still on the

earth. He has not died. He was translated, and the inhabitants of the earth will have a sort of translation. They will be transferred to a condition of the terrestrial order, and so they will have power over disease and they will have power to live until they get a certain age and then they will die; and if a man does not keep the commandments and will not obey the Gospel, when he dies it is going to be pretty tough for him because under those conditions every man ought to receive the truth, and eventually they will, because Isaiah tells you that the time will come when the knowledge of God will cover the earth as the waters do the sea.

Now, do you know how the waters cover the sea? Why, everybody knows that. That's an easy one, isn't it? And so for a thousand years we are going to have a lovely world restored to the conditions which prevailed before death came into the world.

How Death Came

In order to clinch this matter about how death got into this world, I am going to read to you from these Scriptures again. Here is what the Lord taught Adam right in the beginning. "Wherefore teach it unto your children, that all men, everywhere, must repent, or they can in nowise inherit the kingdom of God, for no unclean thing can dwell there, or dwell in his presence.

"Therefore, I give unto you a commandment to teach these things freely unto your children, saying:

"That by reason of transgression cometh the fall, which fall bringeth death, and inasmuch as ye were born into the world by water, and blood, and the spirit, which I have made, and so become of dust a living soul, even so ye must be born again into the kingdom of heaven, of water, and of the Spirit, and be cleansed by blood, even the blood of mine Only Begotten."

Here we have a plain statement by the Lord Himself, that by reason of transgression cometh the fall, which fall bringeth death. Well, if the fall brought death, then death was not here before the fall, was it? I will give you another quotation: "For as death has passed upon all men to fulfill the merciful plan of the Great Creator, there needs be a power of resurrection and the resurrection must needs' come unto man by reason of the fall." I don't care what Sir Oliver Lodge says. "And the fall came by reason of transgression and because men became fallen they were cut off from the presence of the Lord." That is the teachings of the Gospel.

Now, to come to some of these signs of the times of our own day and what the Lord has said about the restoration:

To The Lord, All Things Spiritual

In the 29th Section of the Doctrine and Covenants, we read—"Wherefore, verily I say unto you that all things unto me are spiritual, and not at any time have I given unto you a law which was temporal; neither any man, nor the children of men; neither Adam, your father, whom I created."

What do you get out of that? Adam was not created temporally. Neither was anything else.

The Lord tells us in the 133rd Section of the Doctrine and Covenants how the Jews are to return to Jerusalem. That's where they are going. How the tribes of Israel are to come here, to the children of Ephraim to receive their blessings. We will have more to say perhaps later about the gathering of Israel, both of the Jews to Palestine and Israel here, and the coming of the ten lost tribes. You know, a lot of people have an idea that these tribes that are lost are not lost at all, they are just coming in among us all the time. They are not coming in among us all the time. We are gathering scattered Israel, but those tribes have not come yet. They will come when the Lord gets ready. You know, they are building a highway up here through Canada to Alaska. I do not know just what they are doing it for-presumably to fight the Japanese. This is only a thought; don't go away and say I state it as a fact-I have just wondered if they are not building that road to fulfill the promise the Lord made, as a highway for those lost

people to eventually use when they come to the children of Ephraim? The Lord does a lot of wonderful things in a mysterious way. Let us see what He says.

In the North Countries

"And they who are in the north countries shall come in remembrance before the Lord; and their prophets shall hear his voice, and shall no longer stay themselves; and they shall smite the rocks, and the ice shall flow down at their presence.

"And an highway will be cast up in the midst of the great deep.

"Their enemies shall become a prey unto them." (D. & C. 133: 26-28.)

They are going to come in a body wherever they are. Somebody will come along and say, "Brother Smith, they cannot be in the north country because men have been up to the North Pole." I did not say they were up at the North Pole. The Lord has not said they were up at the North Pole. I don't know where they are. If I did, they would not be lost. But, now, here are some of the things the Lord has revealed that throw light upon those things that I called attention to in the beginning of my remarks, the condition that prevailed upon this earth before the transgression of Adam. Listen to what the Lord says here:

"Wherefore, prepare ye for the coming of the Bridegroom; go ye, go ye out to meet him.

"For behold, he shall stand upon the mount of Olivet, and upon the mighty ocean, even the great deep, and upon the islands of sea, and upon the land of Zion.

"And he shall utter his voice out of Zion, and he shall speak from Jerusalem, and his voice shall be heard among all people;

"And it shall be a voice as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder, which shall break down the mountains, and the valleys shall not be found." (D. & C. 133:19-22.)

Islands to Become One Land

"He shall command the great deep, and it shall be driven back into the north countries, and the islands shall become one land." (D. & C. 133:23.) How can it go back if it was not there before? You answer that for me. "And the islands shall become one land." That's part of the restoration. Did not the Lord tell us in the beginning the land was in one place and the water in one place? Naturally, if the lands are to go back again there will be an awful shaking.

"And the land of Jerusalem and the land of Zion shall be turned back into their own place and the earth shall be like as it was in the days before it was divided.

"And the Lord, even the Saviour, shall stand in the midst of his people, and shall reign over all flesh." (D. & C. 133: 24-25.)

This is going to come when Christ comes. That's part of the restoration. If the keys of the Priesthood were not here first, it could not be done.

Here is another statement in Section 49, verse 23.

Be Not Deceived

"Wherefore, be not deceived, but continue in steadfastness, looking forth for the heavens to be shaken and the earth to tremble and to reel to and fro as a drunken man, and for the valleys to be exalted, and for the mountains to be made low, and for the rough places to become smooth—and all this when the angel shall sound his trumpet.

This is in our modern scripture. There is a lot like it, in the old Scriptures. This one is from Ezekiel:

"For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken. Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel;

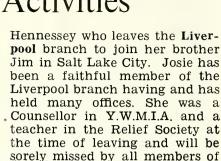
"So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground." (Ezekiel 38: 19-20.)

After the thousand years are ended, the earth is going to die. It will die because it is a living mortal thing and then it is going to be raised in the —Continued on page 184

District Activities

LIVERPOOL

Burnley's newly decorated chapel was the venue for the Liverpool District Gold and Green Ball. M.I.A. supervisors were responsible for a very successful evening and a large number of members and friends filled the large hall enjoying music for dancing and fine refreshments.



the Liverpool District.



South London Branch Primary May Day Festivity

Wigan branch Relief Society served a delicious banquet in their lovely chapel following Union meeting. Over 100 members and non-members were served and enjoyed a special programme to follow.

Many parties were given in honour of Sister Josephine Spring days are invitations to all nature lovers to enjoy the great outdoors and several branches of the Liverpool District took advantage of the fine weather to visit beauty spots, historic places and ramble the countryside. Preston, Burnley, Nelson, Blackburn and Liverpool branches organised such outings recently.

LONDON

May Day did not fulfil its traditional promise of fine weather but the children of the South London Branch Primary enjoyed their May Day celebrations. The May Queen, 10 yearold Valerie Sutherland, elected. by the children, was crowned by Branch President Walter Chiles and then entertained with setdances and reels, songs and choruses. Sixty parents watched the proceedings, the large majority of them being nonmembers.

In the afternoon they had generously supported a Jumble Sale organised by the Primary Officers under the direction of Sister Madeline Hill.

To crown the day a dance was held in the evening about which it can be truthfully said that "There was never a dull moment." The programme, arranged by M.C. James P. Hill included many novelty numbers during which the men had to carry their partners over the "River Jordan" into the "Promised Land"! The music was once more ably provided by the "Ravenslea Trio".

The amount raised, more than £20, far surpassed the optimistic hopes of the Primary Officers who are grateful to all who supported this event. The money will be used for Primary supplies and outings.

At a special Fireside held in the **South London** branch on Sunday, May 2nd, the gathering of about 30 members listened to a part of the Book of Mormon Oratorio on a record kindly loaned by a missionary passing through. It was very inspiring and the singing was well rendered by choirs of the University of Utah. The story is from that part of the Book of Mormon which tells of Samuel the Lamanite and his prophecies concerning the visit of Jesus to the Western Hemisphere.

HULL

Budget Socials were held on Saturdays, April 17th and May 1st in the Hull branch. Games and dancing filled the evening.

On Easter Monday 20 members of the Scarborough branch including visitors from Grimsby and Hull enjoyed an outing to a spot near Scolby. The opportunity was not missed by some of the Genealogy workers who transcribed many names from the Scolby Churchyard. The children needed no entertaining, their high spirits ably providing them with good fun and games.

Twenty-nine members attended a social in the **Grimsby** branch and enjoyed an entertaining evening. Highlight was a mime of the records "Riders in the Sky" and "Wild Bill Hiccup" by the Elders.

MANCHESTER

Rochdale branch held an outing on Easter Monday. In a hired bus a group visited New Brighton stopping en route at Chester to walk on the old Roman walls and visit the Cathedral.

Another **Baseball Team** has been formed in the **Rochdale** branch.

A farewell social was held on May 8th for **Brother and Sister Frank Hoyle** of the Rochdale branch who leave to make their home in America.

Rochdale branch are glad to return to their chapel once again, a privilege they have been deprived of for several months due to a fire at the end of last year which destroyed a portion of the building. The branch has continued active, meeting constantly in the homes of the members. A great growth of unity and brotherly love has been the result and they look forward with renewed hope to inspirational times back in their old home.

Sister Hilda Graham gave a supper for members of the Wythenshawe branch on May 9th. The proceeds are to be devoted to the Building Fund.

NOTTINGHAM

A farewell party was held in the **Derby** branch for **Brother** and **Sister Wilkins** leaving for America. Many turned out to bid their friends "Goodbye" and all joined in the fun and games and enjoyed the refreshments.

Loughborough branch held its first social in years and over 60 people arrived from all over the district. Entertainers were on hand to make the evening a real success while the preparation and catering was in the capable hands of the newly organised Relief Society under the direction of Sister Bilby.

BIRMINGHAM

On April 17th at Rugby, the Coventry branch allotment was the centre of a great deal of activity which resulted in blisters and backaches, but a lot of work being done for the Welfare. All active branch members and missionaries of the Birmingham District turned out to give a

hand. While the men worked the sisters made candy and sold it, the proceeds going to the Welfare Fund. All heartily enjoyed themselves and the evening ended with a sing-song.

The "Lark" girls of the Rugby Primary enjoyed a hike to the Badly Woods on April 23rd. There they cooked a meal of sausages and eggs. After exploring the woods they walked to Daventry where they caught a bus back to Rugby.

On Saturday, April 17th, at Booth Street Chapel a Welfare Social and Supper was held under the direction of Brother Phillip Green, Welfare Officer. After the supper all adjourned to the main hall where a concert was presented. Among the 80 odd people present were a good percentage of friends and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

IRISH

The Irish District held its annual Easter outing on Monday. April 19th, to Helen's Tower. Co. Down. A group of 60 proceeded to Helen's Bay by train and from there hiked to Helen's Tower through the very beautiful green countryside. There they spent a day of varied exercise and entertainment then proceeded to the beach where sausages were roasted over an open fire. (The had purchased missionaries Franfurters in Dublin and were passing them off as "hot dogs".) Gratitude must be expressed to M.I.A. President William Stewart, Jnr., and his counsellor Joe Ditty, Jnr., for the fine outing they directed

Brother John Henry Dennis, who left for Canada on April 9th vacates the position of second counsellor in the Belfast branch Sunday School. In this office he proved very efficient and always gave of his best. Before leaving he was presented with a Doctrine and Covenants Commentary by the members of the Priesthood and the good wishes of the branch go with him.

SHEFFIELD

Sheffield Members of the branch opened the holiday season with a visit to Graves Park on Easter Monday. A thoroughly active day was spent there with attempts to master the intricacies of baseball proving almost as unsuccessful as "beginning of the season practice" for the much more English game played with a wider bat and a smaller ball. More than a score of people found it all very enjovable.

DEATHS

Davis. Brother James Davis, a member of the Cheltenham branch for nearly sixty years passed peacefully away on February 25th, 1954, at the age of 84. Interment took place at the local cemetery where President Frank Betteridge dedicated the grave.

Miles. Sunday On Sister Beatrice Miles, a member of the Sheffield branch for over 45 years died. She will be remembered by all of the older members of the District and was loved by all who knew her. She was 60 years of age and was baptised into the Church on March 7th, 1909. She always bore a strong testimony of the gospel. Funeral services were held May 13th, 1954, with President Ernest B. Machell conducting. Sister Lillian Harrison spoke briefly.

Kendall. The death occurred of a dearly beloved brother in the Scarborough branch named Gordon Frank Kendall. He was the only son of Sister Edith Kendall. Born April 20th, 1919, he was baptised July 9th, 1927.

Green. Sister Lilian May Green passed away April 29th following a stroke sustained in Relief Society meeting. She had for many years been a loyal and active worker in that organisation. Funeral services were conducted in the Birmingham Chapel on May 3rd preceding interment at Uplands Cemetery. Handsworth. President C. Richard Devey conducted them and dedicated the grave. A duet was rendered by Sister Jean Duncan and Elder Neil J. Ferrell and an appreciation of Sister Green was given by President Frank E. Bailey.

MARRIAGES

Evans-Kitsell. The marriage of Sister Marion Evans, of the Y.W.M.I.A. Board and Birmingham branch, to Brother John H. Kitsell, second counsellor in the Birmingham branch Presidency took place on Saturday, May 8th, at 11.30 a.m. The ceremony was performed by President Frank E. Bailey. The bride wore a white net embroidered gown and carried red roses. The bride and groom left immediately for a honeymoon and to do some genealogical research in Barmouth.

Dixon-Parkin. The marriage of Sister Pamela Dixon to Eric Parkin took place in the Bradford Chapel on April 3rd.

Clough-Nepier. On the same day Mary Clough was married to —Continued on page 184

Missionary Activities

ARRIVALS			
May 4th, 1954	Fre	om	то
Sister Lois J. Graham	Salt Lake City,	Utah	Leeds
Elder Don V. Chistensen	Monticello, Utah	L	Liverpool
Elder Shyrl B. Savage	Bicknell, Utah		Leeds
Elder Franklin K. Shreeve	St. Johns, Arizor	na	Leeds
Elder Robert Francis	Ogden, Utah		Birmingham
TRANSFERS			
Name	From	То	Effective on
Elder John H. Whittaker	Manchester	Bristol	May 1st
Elder Henry C. Litster	Liverpool	London	May 10th
Elder Delbert R. Standage	Manchester	London	May 10th
Elder Clarence McBride	London	New castle	May 10th
Elder Lawrence G. Handy	Newcastle	Scotland	May 10th
Elder Ronald F. Nielson	London	Scotland	May 10th
Sister Marilyn Christensen	Bristol	Liverpool	May 15th
Sister Elizabeth Easton	Bristol	Liverpool	May 15th
Elder Hugh B. Graham	Leeds	Bristol	May 15th
Sister Lois J. Graham	Leeds	Bristol	May 15th
APPOINTMENTS			

Elder Charles Richard Devey was appointed president of the Birmingham District, April 28th, 1954.

RELEASES



Elder Ray M. Hall of Ogden, Utah. was released May 6th, 1954. Served as Liverpool District President and Birmingham District President.



Sister Muriel Miller Thole of Cardiff, Wales, was released May 10th, 1954. Laboured in London Office, Manchester and Norwich Districts.



Elder Alfred Bailey Hughes of Los Angeles, California, was released May 20th, 1954. Laboured in Scotland and Bristol Districts.



Elder Kenneth Earl Johnson of Las Vegas, Nevada, was released May 20th, 1954. Laboured in Newcastle District.

June, 1954

BAPTISMS	Ap
April 10th	Ro
James Nimmo Thomson of Glasgow	Lir
Christina Thomson of Glasgow	Mε
April 16th	Jol
John Edward Jones of Peterborough	Mo
Delia E. Williams of Peterborough	Pa
Josephine W. Overton of Peterborough	Wa
April 18th	Ma
Edward H. Whittaker III of Bristol	Eli
George Edward Turle of Bristol	Ro
April 21st	Mε
Janet Florence Bailey of Birmingham	Ma

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Vose-Hughes. Ann Hughes was married to Donald Ernest Vose, Bury branch, Saturday, March 27th.

ENGAGEMENTS

Wedding bells will be ringing this coming July for Sister Florence May **Kiddy** of the Nottingham branch whose engagement is announced to President James **Fletcher** of the Derby branch.

Sister Jean Smith, who is studying in London and attends the South London branch became engaged to Brother Sylvester Dale of Rochdale on April 17th.

Sister Dorothy Grayshan became engaged to Robert Greenwood of Rochdale on April 16th.

--Continued from page 178 resurrection, by the power of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, just the same as the resurrection of any human being upon its face. This earth will be restored, and finally it will be a celestialised body. When that time comes, all those people upon the face of the earth who have lived a terrestrial law and been privileged to stay upon the April 24th Rodney Dodd of Brighton Linda Lilian Dodd of Brighton May 2nd John S. Crabtree of Weston-super-Mare Montague Leonard Blake of Plymouth Pamela Joyce Blake of Plymouth Walter Alexander Roach of Plymouth Malcolm William Morrison of Plymouth Elizabeth Anne Wallace of Plymouth Roderick Gerald Lewis of Stroud May 8th Maria Elizabeth Gunther of Edinburgh

face of the earth, will have to move out. They cannot stay here, for when this earth is exalted and becomes a celestial body nobody is going to live on it but celestial beings; so if you want to go somewhere else, you can live the terrestrial law or the telestial law, but if you do live a telestial law you have no inheritance here.

The Lord bless you, I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

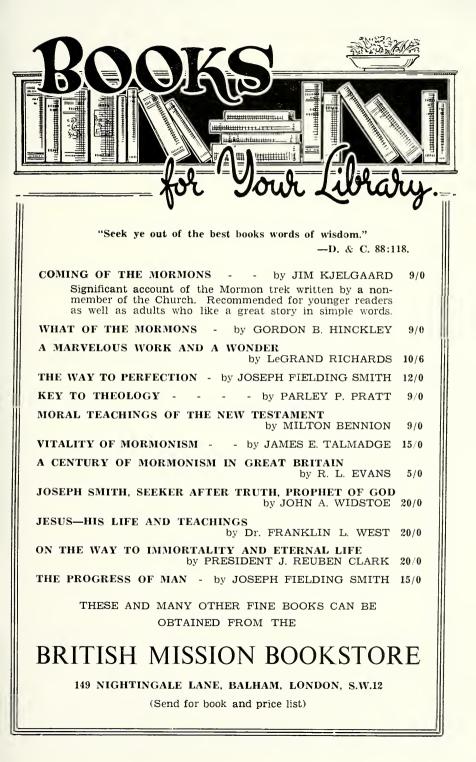
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of the third week it is not unusual to find that the craving has almost entirely disappeared. With this assurance held out the effort is certainly worth a trial.

For a period of two or three weeks make use of cereal foods as shredded wheat biscuits, branflakes. puffed wheat. whole wheat bread, rye or graham bread, etc., with milk and cream, buttermilk, cottage cheese and nuts (well masticated). At the close of the meal use fresh, subacid fruits, as oranges, peaches, pears, apples, pineapples, grapefruit. Figs. dates, and raisins, applesauce and canned fruits as indicated. Highly seasoned foods, and stimulating drinks should be avoided, e.g., alcohol, tea, coffee, etc.

No victory has ever been won without a conflict and fight.

Millennial Star



The way to gain a good reputation is to endeavour to be what you desire to appear.

Socrates